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**Court Orders National Check Control, A New Jersey-Based
Collection Agency, To Show Cause Why It Should Not Be
Held In Contempt For Violating A Temporary Injunction**

On September 2, 2003, Kanawha County Circuit Court Judge Paul Zakaib, Jr., ordered Check Investors, Inc., Barry Sussman, Charles T. Hutchins, and Wayne Krause (doing business as "National Check Control") to appear in person at a hearing on October 10, 2003, at 11:30 a.m. to show cause why they should not be held in contempt for violating a Temporary Injunction previously issued by the court on July 1, 2003.

Judge Zakaib had previously ordered National Check Control to stop collecting debts in West Virginia, to disclose records of all consumers it previously contacted and all amounts it collected from West Virginia consumers, and to post a cash or surety bond equal to the total amount collected here. Although National Check Control has apparently stopped collecting debts in West Virginia, the Attorney General alleges that National Check Control has not complied with the other requirements of the Temporary Injunction.

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